

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Patrick M. Hughes et al.

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For: DELIVERY OF AN ACTIVE DRUG TO  
THE POSTERIOR PART OF THE EYE  
VIA SUBCONJUNCTIVAL OR  
PERIOULAR DELIVERY OF A  
PRODRUG

Examiner: Betton, Timothy E.

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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In response to the December 31, 2007 office action, applicant elects a carboxylic acid salt. The claims that appear to be readable upon the elected species are claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 19.

Respectfully Submitted,

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